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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UTILITY PATENT  
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

**Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Customer Number **21839**

Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application entitled:

DIENE RUBBER COMPOSITION FOR TIRE COMPRISING A SPECIFIC SILICA AS REINFORCING FILLER

by the following named inventor(s):

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- Applicant(s) suggests Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information:  
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- Small entity status is claimed.

Also enclosed are:

**DRAWINGS:** 2 sheets of formal drawings      \_\_\_\_\_ sheets of informal drawings

**DECLARATION:**  will follow     executed, is enclosed     unexecuted, is enclosed

**ASSIGNMENT:**  is enclosed     will follow

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**CLAIM FOR  
PRIORITY  
UNDER 35 U.S.  
C. § 119 and/or  
365:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is made in the declaration	<input type="checkbox"/> is hereby made as follows	Filing Date
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PCT	PCT/EP02/09069	13 August 2002
FRANCE	0110871	13 August 2001

certified copy(ies) enclosed       certified copy(ies) will follow

## **OTHER PAPERS:**

- a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees
  - an Information Disclosure Statement
  - an Application Data Sheet (ADS)
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The filing fee has been calculated as follows  and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims		Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Basic Application Fee (1001)					\$ 770.00
Total Claims	38	MINUS 20 =	18	x \$18.00 (1202) =	\$ 324.00
Independent Claims	5	MINUS 3 =	2	x \$86.00 (1201) =	\$ 172.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)					
Total Application Fee					\$ 1,266.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					\$ 0.00
Add Assignment Recording Fee of \$40.00 (8021) if Assignment document is enclosed.					
<b>TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE</b>					<b>\$ 1,266.00</b>

- This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.

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- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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